

EXHIBIT 10

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

CITY OF SPOKANE, a)
municipal corporation)
located in the County of)
Spokane, State of)
Washington,) Case No.
) 2:15-cv-00201-SMJ
Plaintiff,)
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-vs-)
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MONSANTO COMPANY, et al.,)
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Defendants.)
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2 A. I 'm not sure I understand that
3 question.

4 Q. You are not opining in this case
5 that P -- that byproduct PCBs are Spokane's
6 worst problem?

7 A. That is correct.

8 Q. Okay.

9 A. The City of Spokane. When I said
10 City of Spokane or County of Spokane in the
11 webinar, I was correcting myself. I did not
12 mean to say City of Spokane. I was correcting
13 myself to refer to the County of Spokane.

14 Q. Got it.

15 And both the City of Spokane's
16 waste facility and the County of Spokane's
17 waste facility, they're within a number of
18 miles of each other; correct?

19 A. I don't know how many miles, but,
20 yes.

21 Q. They're -- they're close by;
22 right?

23 A. Reasonably close, yes.

24 Q. About a ten-minute drive?

25 A. I don't know.

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2 Q. Something like that?

3 A. Yeah, I don't know.

4 Q. Okay. And they both empty waste
5 into the Spokane River; correct?

6 A. That's correct.

7 Q. And as a matter of fact, the
8 County of Spokane's waste facility ships
9 hundreds of gallons of waste for treatment to
10 the Riverside facility at the City of Spokane;
11 correct?

12 A. I don't know about that.

13 Q. You didn't know that?

14 A. NO.

15 Q. And there's no reason to believe
16 that the content of the influent of the County
17 of Spokane's facility is different than the
18 content of the input of the City of Spokane's
19 waste treatment facility; is there?

20 A. It depends on what you mean by
21 "different." I've looked at the influent to
22 both facilities, and there are minor
23 differences.

24 Q. They're generally the same?

25 MR. LAND: Objection, vague.

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2 A. No.

3 Q. Did I say "sample book"? I meant
4 sample logbook.

5 A. No, I did --

6 Q. Same answer?

7 A. -- not review the --

8 Q. Okay.

9 A. -- sample logbook.

10 Q. Did you review any chain of
11 custody records?

12 A. NO.

13 Q. Did you review any written
14 description of the equipment used as well as
15 any maintenance logs for the specific
16 instruments used?

17 A. There was some information about
18 the equipment used in the QAPPs, but I did not
19 review any maintenance logs.

20 Q. Did you review any SOPs for the
21 instruments' operations?

22 A. No.

23 Q. Did you review any source and
24 certification of standards the laboratory may
25 have had?

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2 A. No.

3 Q. Did you review copies of
4 calculations, including formulae or algorithms
5 used for calculations?

6 A. No.

7 Q. Did you review any laboratory
8 notebooks or record books containing records
9 pertaining to the samples in question?

10 A. No.

11 Q. Did you review any interim
12 reports?

13 A. Can you be more specific?

14 Q. Well, there are interim reports
15 and final reports in laboratories; correct?

16 A. I don't know.

17 Q. Okay. Did you review any covering
18 correspondence from the laboratories?

19 A. No.

20 Q. Did you review any CVs or lists of
21 personnel qualifications for any pertinent
22 laboratory employees?

23 A. No.

24 Q. Did you -- well, let me step back.

25 In terms of QA/QC, those

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2 don't know what happened. I didn't
3 specifically do it, but something happened in
4 the spreadsheet.

5 Q. Okay. Let me just -- do you know
6 why that happened?

7 A. NO.

8 Q. It appears to me that in the
9 transcription of the data from raw to
10 processed, any number to the left of the
11 decimal point was removed.

12 Is that possible?

13 A. That's what appears to have
14 occurred in this case.

15 Q. Okay.

16 (Counsel confer.)

17 Q. So could you take out PCBs in
18 Municipal Products again, Exhibit 34. You see
19 that?

20 A. Yes.

21 O. Can you go, please, to Table B-1?

22 A. What page is that on?

23 Q. I'm sorry. It's second to last
24 page.

25 A. Yeah. Got it.

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2 Q. Okay. It's pesticide/herbicide
3 liquid. If you go to product ID 12, it shows
4 total PCB is non-detect; right?

5 A. Uh-huh.

6 Q. Or 2-4D: Nufarm Weedar,
7 W-E-E-D-A-R, 64; right?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. So -- and with respect to the --
10 that pesticide, both the -- the sample and the
11 lab duplicate were non-detect; right?

13 Q. Yes.

14 A. And you're asking me whether the
15 sample and the what were non-detect?

16 Q. Lab duplicate.

17 A. Is that -- where is the lab
18 duplicate?

19 Q. (Indicating.)

20 A. Ah. Okay. I see. Yes. Correct.

21 (Counsel confer.)

22 Q. If we go to your report Page 41 --

23 A. 41?

24 Q. Yeah. That Weedar 64, you see
25 that, it's the second to --

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2 A. Yes.

3 Q. -- last sample. You report a R2
4 of .08 for 1242; correct?

6 Q. According to the City of Spokane's
7 report, PCBs were not detected in that sample
8 at all.

10 (Counsel confer.)

11 Q. Okay. And, by the way, I'm sorry,
12 but I've directed you to the duplicate. The
13 Weedar actual sample, and that's about one,
14 two, three, four, five, six -- twelve lines
15 from the bottom, in your report you state that
16 there's an R2 for 1242 of .13; is that correct?

18 Q. And, in fact, the City of
19 Spokane's report indicated that PCBs were not
20 detected in that; is that correct?

21 A. Correct.

22 (Counsel confer.)

23 Q. And at Page 39 of your report --
24 I'm sorry for the delay here -- second full
25 paragraph, the highest R2 value for the MLR

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2 were found, and it names a number of products,
3 including PVC and CIPP products.

4 A. I don't see PVC.

5 Q. Actually, it just says CIPP
6 products --

7 A. Yeah.

8 Q. -- correct?

11 MR. SORENSEN: 34.

12 BY MR. GOUTMAN:

13 Q. Page 27, it says the CIPP samples
14 did not appear to correlate with Aroclor
15 patterns. Is that what they say?

16 A. That's what it says.

17 Q. And that's the City of Spokane's
18 report; correct?

19 A. Correct.

20 Q. Am I -- I'm going to have -- I'm
21 going to ask some more questions, then I'm
22 going to take a break and I'll come back and
23 conclude. Okay?

24 A. Okay.

25 Q. Am I correct that in your most

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